A future when cancer doesn't tear families apart.

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A guide to leaving a gift in your will.



## Lives saved...

# Families

# Dreams fulfilled...

together...

# ...Cancer free.

## Imagine your impact.

Thank you for letting us know you're thinking of leaving us a gift in your will.

Leaving a gift in your will helps ensure that we can be here for life. From inspiring new treatments and ways to prevent cancer, to research breakthroughs that will help people live longer and better – all the way to a cancer free future. This is the most powerful gift you can ever give. And it costs you nothing today.

Your sincerely,

**Professor Sarah Hosking** CEO Cancer Council NSW



## A future without cancer.

Over 100,000 lives saved in the last 20 years, and counting, thanks to advances in cancer research like these! A gift in your will can help take us closer still to a future without cancer.



#### The first targeted anti-breast cancer drug is made available for the treatment of late-stage breast cancer.

2001

2006 The National Bowel Cancer Screening Program was introduced in Australia.

#### Cancer Council NSW supports the International Cancer Genome Consortium, studying genetic changes in 50 different types of cancer.

..2010

Cigarette sales hit record lows as Australia becomes the first country to introduce cigarette plain-packaging legislation.

2011



## **Right help, right place,**

With more people living with cancer for longer, services and support have never been more important. Thanks to you, we help families when they need it the most.



#### The promise of tomorrow.

Research has revolutionised our knowledge and understanding of cancer diagnoses and prevention. With your gift, safer and more effective cancer treatments will be here tomorrow.

### 2012

Breakthrough findings into pancreatic cancer reveal that the surrounding tissue actively help the tumour grow and spread.

Our 20 year report identified fewer cancer deaths, with an estimated 61.000 Australian lives saved thanks to research into cancer prevention. screening and treatment.

2013

New Cancer Council NSW-funded test halves the relapse rate in hiah risk children with acute lymphoblastic leukaemia

-2015

First immunotherapy drug for lung cancer approved for Australian use. extending survival with fewer side effects than chemotherapy.

New National Cervical Screening Program introduced. transitioning from two-yearly Pap tests to five-yearly HPV screening tests.

2016 2018 2021

Breast and prostate cancer now have a 90% five-year survival rate And cancer survival in Australia has increased 40% in just 30 years.

#### 20% of our income comes from gifts in wills, helping us to fund more world class research.



# The moments that make life worth living...

It's only because of the amazing people who have left us gifts in their wills that more families are celebrating life's most precious moments today.

Every year in NSW alone, almost 48,000 people hear the words *"you have cancer"*. As Australia's leading cancer charity, we know that preventing cancer is one of the most effective ways to create a cancer free future.

That's why research is at the heart of everything we do. Research shows that one in three cancers can be prevented, and in the past 5 years, Cancer Council NSW has invested \$83.6 million to pave the way to our shared vision. This enables us to support people affected by cancer when they need it most, help reduce their cancer risk, and find new ways to detect and treat cancer.

Together, we are working across every area of every cancer. Just imagine – you could put your mark on more wonderful, lifechanging moments in the future.

## ...make life worth saving.

# Imagine a helping hand.

We appreciate that your will is one of the most intensely personal, important documents you'll ever make. It's also vital to your own and your loved ones' future security and peace of mind.

Naturally, you'll have questions. That's why we're always here to help. For a confidential, entirely obligation-free discussion, please don't hesitate to get in touch with our Gifts in Wills team. With their years of experience, and passion for a cancer free future, they will be happy to help on **02 9334 1479** or email **giftsinwills@nswcc.org.au**.



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# Your first will is easier than you thought.

Leaving a gift in your will to a charity like Cancer Council NSW is one of the most generous and forward-thinking actions you can take. It's easier than you might imagine too, a simple and straightforward part of making your will. But if you haven't done it before, naturally you'll have some questions. Here are the answers to some of the more common ones, but please don't hesitate to get in touch if we can help in any way.

### **TIP 1** Consider your family and loved ones first.



Having an up to date will is vital. As your first priority, we recommend that you ensure you provide for your family and loved ones. From there, you can choose to remember a cause you're passionate about, if you wish.

## **TIP 2** A gift of even 1% makes such a difference.

You don't have to be wealthy to include a gift in your will. You just need a desire to leave a lasting impact. Once you've looked after your loved ones, a gift of even 1% in your will can make an incredible contribution to a cancer free future, and transform lives.

### **TIP 3** Can I choose where my gift is used?



You can be sure we'll honour your wishes if you choose to leave your gift to a specific area or cancer type. However, with our researchers making new breakthroughs, and needs changing all the time, most of our supporters choose to make an impact by allocating their gift to 'general purposes'.

### TIP 4

### Do I need to tell Cancer Council NSW about my gift?



You don't need to tell us that you've included Cancer Council NSW in your will. However, we'd love to acknowledge your incredible generosity, give you updates on how your gift could help in the future, and talk about any special wishes you may have.

#### TIP 5 Should I talk to a solicitor?



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For complex wills and estates, we strongly suggest you talk with an expert like a solicitor. However, reputable online will-writing services, are becoming more popular. For more information please visit the Safewill website: **safewill.com/cancercouncilnsw** 

### TIP 6

#### What type of gift can I leave?

There are a number of ways to leave a gift in your will:

- Whole or part of your estate<sup>\*</sup>

   a percentage of your estate.
- A fixed sum of money a specific cash amount.
- A fixed gift such as shares or real estate.

\*A percentage ensures your loved ones are taken care of, whilst also leaving a legacy that will grow as your estate grows, making an even bigger impact.

Did you know a gift of even 1% in your will can make a real impact on cancer research, helping create a safer future for generations to come.

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## **Information for Solicitors**

Please ensure the correct wording is used and include our full name **Cancer Council NSW ABN 51 116 463 846**.

### **Suggested wording for wills**

I \_\_\_\_\_\_ bequeath to Cancer Council NSW ABN 51 116 463 846 for its general purposes (or name a specific purpose, such as research, patient and support care services, cancer prevention programs)

[Choose and insert the appropriate statement from the list below]

- 1. The whole of my estate
- 2. ..... percentage of my estate
- 3. The amount of \$
- 4. My ...... (asset)

## free of all duties, and the receipt of the Secretary or other authorised officer for the time being shall be a complete and sufficient discharge for the Executor(s).

Our preference is for gifts to be left for general purposes as this enables us to spend the gift across any of our programs and reduces the administration costs associated with quarantining for specific purposes. However, we will always respect the wishes of our supporters and will be happy with whatever your client decides.

Please contact Cancer Council NSW Gifts in Wills team if you require any additional information or have any enquiries.

Call: 02 9334 1479 Email: giftsinwills@nswcc.org.au Mail: PO Box 572, Kings Cross NSW 2011

Or check the gifts in wills page on the Cancer Council NSW website **cancercouncil.com.au** for more information for your solicitor.

